

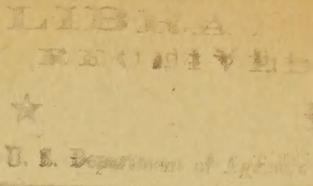
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L.D. Cole, Grannis, Ark.



## The Yellow Sheets

October 1942

Iris, unlabelled, many varieties, 60 roots for \$1. not postpaid.

Alum Root (*Heuchera americana*) attractive winter foliage.

Wood Betony (*Pedicularis canadensis*) also called Lousewort; Fern like leaves dark red in early spring; yellow flowers on good stems for cutting; indifferent to soil but must have shade.

Partridgeberry (*Michelia repens*) popular Christmas decoration; Hardy evergreen ground cover for shade too deep for grass. Must have acid soil; fruit edible in winter.

Green Briar--- vine, stickery; nodules on roots grow quite large and are used for making pipes.

Ferns--- Christmas; Ebony Spleenwort; Blunt Lobed Woodsia; Lady; and Resurrection.

Red Tradescantia, so called from cold weather coloring of the leaves. One of the native Spiderworts.

Cultivated Violets--- White, early, good late winter bloomer in house if you have a dependable cat. Mice crazy for the tiny buds.

Confederate Violets, grey effect; my favorite, can stand full sun.

Hemerocallis--- Kwanso; Fulva; and Flava.

Except where noted, all above plants 5¢ each. Postage paid on orders of 50¢ and over. Less than that please add 5¢. Cash with order.

House plants---

Bryophyllum, very attractive bloom	10¢ each
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Artillery Plant (Pileah)	" "
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Pedilanthus, variegated leaves	" "
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Kalanchoe (cannot yet identify further)	" "
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Peanut Cactus	" "
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Very dark red Wandering Jew, pink flowers	5¢ each
Green Wandering Jew, white flowers	" "
Talinum, commonly called Pink Baby's Breath, tender perennial, can be treated as an annual	5¢ each.

Hardy rock garden plants---

Sempervivums--- I have about 30 varieties of hardy Sempervivums, but at present am sold out of all the "chicks" except Tectorum (Hen and Chickens), Arachnoideum (Cobweb House Leek), and Arenarium. Have more coming on but they are not big enough yet.

Hardy Cacti---

*Opuntia vulgare* (Prickly Pear) fruit edible.

- " makes a much larger plant, yellow flowers.
- " makes much thicker pads, pink flowers.
- " *Ramosissima* (good dog hedge).
- " Cholla.

All rock garden plants 5¢ each.

Sedums in quantity--- *Sarmentosum*, very hardy; one sent me label'd *Glaucum*, much like *Album* but turns bronzy in winter; one sent me labelled *Fosteristum*, much like *Glaucum*, b't more open growth and showing more red in spring; and unidentified grey green one, with at times, attractive under color; *Acre*; *Sexangulare*; *Album*; *Maximowiczii*. Two which are in dispute among botanists who have seen them, some claiming that No. 26 is the rare pink flowered *Stoloneferum*, and No 28 the still rarer *Stoloneferum coccinea*, others that both are *Spurium* hybrids.

Have only small quantities of *Kamchaticum*; one sent me labelled *Persifolia*, much like *Spurium* but bigger leaves at times; *Sieboldii*; *Spurium*; *Ellencombianum*; *Mexicanum*; *Reflexum*; *Reflexum minor*; a form of *Pulchellum*; deciduous form of *Album*; *Ternatum*; one much like *Ternatum* but not quite; *Crested Purpureum*; *Middendorfianum*; *Lydium glaucum*; *Spectabile*



alba; one much like a Spectabile but leaves variegated; Lineare variegata and others not den. Ad to about 50.

Well rooted plants of any of which I have a surplus 5¢ each.

Sedum collection of interest to dealers and Garden Clubs. 100 well rooted, small clumps, my selection, 12 varieties, labelled to the best of my knowledge \$2. postpaid.

50 well rooted Sedums, my selection, 10 varieties, labelled \$1. post paid. 7 well rooted Sedums, my selection, 25¢ postpaid. Will be chosen for ease of culture and good winter coloring.

I have quite a lot of unlabelled plants at 1¢ each. Cannot guarantee variety as so many look alike that much dependence must be placed on the labels, and when these get mixed, identification is partly guess work,

Unless hindered by advancing cost of paper, the seasonal changes in my stock of plants will require a new price list every few weeks. A copy of each issue for 12 issues will be sent for 25¢. Address Laura D. Cole, Grannis, Ark.

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Hand pieced, hand quilted quilts, your choice of color and pattern \$12. each. You furnish all material, \$10. each. Mrs. M. V. Smith, Gillham, Ark.

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#### Notes for Victory.

"For verily I say unto you, Till Heaven and Earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled."

We Christians believe that the portion of the Law relating to all sacrifices was fulfilled on Calvary. The Apostles who had been trained by

Jesus Himself, had the same belief. But as to the rest of the Old Testa-



ment laws and maxims of life, the greatest weakness of our present code is that we prefer to overlook their sound, scientific basis. No amount of argument, nor political theorizing can change biology. And the maxims of the Bible, both Old and New Testaments, the Code of The Gentleman, are the summing up of the wisdom of experience for thousands of years. No Modern development can change the facts of Nature, and on these, the old time morality is based.

On the night of September 26, fell the earliest frost I can remember since coming to Arkansas. Very light, only visible on the north side of buildings, I had hoped that it put an end to Wood Ticks for this year. In of the doctor's orders, I took a short trip into the woods and collected about fifteen Ticks off my body.

Five varieties of hardy Asters were in bloom the second week of October---- the Golden; a light purple; a dark purple; a small flowered white; and a larger flowered white. Also saw two varieties of Goldenrod but do not know their special names. I did not go far enough to get all the tall Lobelia I wanted. That is farther back in the hills.

Did find a plant which has me guessing. Has all the appearance of a tall Lobelia except color, which, instead of the normal light blue, is the shade of a purple Aster. Intend trying to save seed of this hence did not disturb it.

The Ferns I list are still green, except Bracken, which is dormant for the winter.

Our Persimmon trees have suffered both this year and last, from web worms. I tried to burn them out once, and it took my sons and some of the neighbors to get the fire under control. Have not tried that method of control since then. The species of birds which feed on these caterpillars should be protected by public opinion, but they are not. The Bull Bat, also



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called Night Hawk, prefers these nasty worms, and will consume many; has no bad habits what ever, and yet is ruthlessly slaughtered. I find it more easy to interest children in protection of useful wild animals than it is to interest some parents.

I haven't seen either the Garter Snake or the King Snake, this summer, which used to loaf around here, and now the rats are bothering me for the first time in years. Mr. Thomas Catt, our white and yellow feline, is getting too old for rough work. Mrs. Miller has promised me a kitten, and when it is grown, I'll be fixed. Her mother cat is one fourth wild cat, and they make the best ratters. The wild cats of the Southern mountains offer distinct commercial possibilities for farm boys and girls. They mate freely with house cats, and if caught as kittens, soon become as gentle and affectionate as any. The short tail disappears in the first cross; the tigereed-grey in eighth bloods; but the wonderful courage and hunting qualities continue for many generations. Henrietta was a quarter blood; Nancy was her daughter; Mcintosh was Nancy's daughter; Nigger was McIntosh's son. I gave Nigger to a friend and was able to keep track of his descendants for four generations. All were gentle, intelligent, and remarkable hunters and ratters. But for many generations they are not as prolific as common cats, nor do they breed as often. We have no idea when Mrs. Miller's cat will have another family, but when she does, and the kits are old enough for weaning, Mrs. Miller will trade them for anything useful that she needs, including clean, whole, cotton feed sacks to any one who will give them a good home and kind treatment.

I hope all voters will read Senator Byrd's report on the possibility of further governmental economy. I am willing to make any sacrifice necessary to win the war, but not to buy musical instruments for W P A bands. Why do we need to spend our money on the WPA now, anyway?



## Back Yard Chickens for Old Ladies.

To get the best results from visiting the poultry shows, first honestly face your own conditions. Are you physically strong? Or are you frail? Have you \$100. to devote to your hobby at the start? Or must you make each dime do the work of a dollar? Are you living alone? Or with a family? How big is the family? Does it include a member handy with tools, who may be bribed with promise of fresh eggs, to make your coops and equipment? All these are important questions.

In the first place, profit by my experience and pass up the popular breeds. They are popular because they have proven profitable for farm and big scale production, which is exactly what you do NOT want. They can be raised profitably in a city but I do not advise anyone with less than fifteen years experience to tackle the job.

Concentrate your attention on the prettiest and most unusual breeds and I especially advise the parti-colored ones. Solid colored breeds are good for big scale handling because a uniform coopful of fowls presents a fine appearance---- good sales impression. But that does not count when you are marketing the birds on your own table. There is a serious objection to solid colored fowls which I will discuss later.

Some breeds fly high. They frequently prove fine layers, but unless you enjoy fighting with the neighbors, leave them to farmers. Others, and this includes some of the most beautiful, are restrained by low fences. Some breeds are nervous, fidgetty and like to take hysterics; others take life easy, and expect the owner to protect them. These are your best bet.

Go to all the shows you can, but do not be in too big a hurry about deciding. Talk with the exhibitors and ask questions, especially about how the chickens stand confinement.

